

**REMARKS**

In response to the Examiner's objections to the specification and claims, applicant has amended the typographical errors as indicated by the Examiner. Applicant has also carefully reviewed the specification and claims and has made several additional amendments to correct typographical errors not mentioned by the Examiner.

In response to the claim rejection under 35 U.S.C. 112, Claim 9 has been amended to obviate the lack of antecedent basis for "the active sensor" by replacing the limitation with "one sensor in a sensor array composed of a plurality of sensors". This amendment also provides sufficient antecedent basis for the limitations "the sensors" and "the sensor array" as raised by the Examiner.

Applicant has further amended the claims by deleting the superfluous word "respectively" and adding the descriptive phrase "of the comparator" when referring to the output connected to the processor in Claim 12. Additionally, applicant has included the word "a" before the phrase "vehicle backing system" in Claims 10-15 to improve the syntax of the claim language.

The foregoing amendments are presented merely to correct typing or grammatical errors and no new matter is introduced. Therefore, it is now believed that the subject patent application has been placed in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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